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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

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John L. Geesman, Commissioner

James D. Boyd, Commissioner

Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, Commissioner

Arthur H. Rosenfeld, Commissioner

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Claudia Orlando

Marc Pryor

Robert Hudler

Michael Hartley

Mary Dyas

Jennifer Tachera

Clint Lowell

Jane Heinz

Ann Peterson

Arthur Soinski

Mike Magaletti

Thom Kelly

Arlene Ichien, Staff Counsel

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ALSO PRESENT

Ken Nittler, Enercomp

Jeff Harris, CalPine

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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	10:00 a.m
3	CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Please rise and
4	join me in reciting the pledge of allegiance.
5	(Whereupon, the Pledge of
6	Allegiance was recited in unison.)
7	CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Good morning
8	everyone, and thank you for coming. Just as a
9	quick reminder, blue cards, I know we have some.
10	If there is anyone else who wants to add, we will
11	make those available.
12	Two agenda changes. Item No. 15, which
13	is the SAIC Appeal, has been removed from the
14	agenda item, so if you would note that. Likewise
15	agenda item No. 18 will be held over for
16	discussion until the next business meeting. That
17	is a consideration regarding a new OIR regarding
18	governing regulations on data collection.
19	With that, we will begin by taking up
20	the consent calendar.
21	COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: I move the

23 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)

22 consent calendar.

24 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: Second.

25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in

- 1 favor?
- 2 (Ayes.)
- 3 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 4 Adopted, four to nothing.
- 5 Item two is a report to the governor on
- 6 the commercial and public building energy
- 7 benchmarking and possible adoption of the report
- 8 mandated by Executive Order S20-04 in the Green
- 9 Building Action Plan.
- 10 MS. ORLANDO: Good morning,
- 11 Commissioners. My name is Claudia Orlando, and I
- 12 am with the Public Programs Office. I am
- 13 requesting Energy Efficiency Committee Report
- 14 Benchmarking System for California commercial
- 15 buildings be approved and presented to the
- 16 governor as an Energy Commission report.
- 17 This report is a result of Executive
- 18 Order S-20-04 and the accompanying Green Building
- 19 Action Plan.
- The Green Building Action Plan, Section
- 21 2.2.4 directs the California Energy Commission to
- 22 report to the governor with a plan, time table,
- and recommendations to accomplish benchmarking of
- 24 all commercial and public buildings in California.
- The use of a benchmarking tool to

1 provide electricity and gas consumers, an idea of

- 2 how their building compares to others will help
- 3 motivate them to take action.
- 4 Benchmarking of building energy use can
- 5 contribute to the overall goal of the executive
- order to reduce energy use by 20 percent by 2015.
- 7 This report summarizes the Energy Commission's
- 8 progress to date on these tasks.
- 9 Because there are 1.5 million commercial
- 10 accounts in California, the task of implementing a
- 11 commercial benchmarking program is a very large
- 12 and must be coordinated with a number of
- 13 stakeholders.
- 14 The Energy Commission held a public
- 15 workshop in April of this year to provide
- 16 information on existing benchmarking tools and to
- 17 solicit input to assess the needs of the
- 18 commercial sector.
- 19 Energy Commission staff consulted with
- 20 investor-owned utilities in California as well as
- 21 the two major municipal utility districts to
- 22 solicit their input and participation.
- 23 Based on staff work and input from many
- 24 parties, staff evaluated two of the most widely
- 25 used benchmarking tools. Cal-Arch, developed by

1 Lawrence Berkeley National Labs and US EPA, Energy

- 2 Star Portfolio Manager.
- 3 As a result of that evaluation and input
- 4 that was gathered, staff developed a list of
- 5 attributes that are imperative to be included in a
- 6 benchmarking tool to be used in California.
- 7 A benchmarking tool is the first step to
- 8 managed energy costs and a good benchmarking
- 9 system should motivate building owners and
- 10 managers to make changes on how their buildings
- 11 are managed and operated.
- 12 The tool needs to be based on the latest
- data available and statistically represent
- 14 California commercial buildings. The tool needs
- to be simple to use and easy for consumers to
- 16 understand. There needs to be a low cost of
- 17 delivery and to get a benchmarking score to the
- 18 consumer and low cost for program support.
- 19 Neither of these two tools have all the
- 20 attributes that are necessary for quality
- 21 benchmarking system to be effective and to
- 22 contribute to the overall reduction of energy use
- as specified in the Executive Order.
- 24 Based on our evaluation and input from
- others involved, staff recommends the development

- of a California specific benchmarking tool.
- 2 During the interim, it is recommended to use US
- 3 EPA's Energy Star benchmarking tool.
- 4 The Energy Commission's Public Interest
- 5 Energy Research Program, along with the Energy
- 6 Efficiency Division is working with US EPA,
- 7 Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, and Oakridge
- 8 National Lab to look at recently gathered
- 9 California specific data and to develop a
- 10 benchmarking tool that fits the needs of utilities
- and the California commercial building sector.
- 12 It is hoped that US EPA Energy Star
- 13 benchmarking tool can be used with this updated
- 14 California specific data. We anticipate this work
- 15 to be completed and the deployment of a
- 16 benchmarking system using California specific
- 17 benchmarking tool to be implemented by the end of
- 18 2006.
- 19 Over the coming months during the
- 20 development of this California specific tool, the
- 21 Energy Commission will continue to work with
- 22 utilities and other service providers to develop a
- 23 delivery system for commercial benchmarking.
- 24 Utilities are the most logical way to
- 25 deliver the benchmarking rating to their

1 customers. Our plan also includes working closely

- 2 with the Real Estate Industry Leadership Counsel
- 3 and Building Operators and Managers Association to
- 4 market a benchmarking program and to get feedback
- 5 regarding all stages of development and
- 6 implementation of the benchmarking plan.
- 7 Our next steps are to continue
- 8 negotiations with US EPA to develop a California
- 9 specific tool. Energy Commission staff will
- 10 continue to work utilities to be sure program
- 11 funding is able to support benchmarking and that
- 12 benchmarking programs are integrated and a part of
- 13 a portfolio of energy conservation programs
- 14 offered.
- 15 Public workshops will be held in early
- 16 2006 for further input into the final California
- 17 specific benchmarking tool. Staff is requesting
- 18 approval of this report with a few editorial
- 19 changes noted.
- 20 On Page 1, the addition of the reference
- of a November 2000 report energy accounting, a key
- 22 tool in managing energy costs. This report
- 23 contains useful information on how to manage
- 24 energy costs in buildings and benchmarking is the
- 25 first step in managing these costs.

1 On Page 5, a line has been deleted that

- 2 may unintentionally lead the reader to assume that
- 3 the Energy Commission may use a different
- 4 benchmarking tool in the future other than what
- 5 has been stated in the recommendation section of
- 6 this report.
- 7 In conclusion, staff is requesting
- 8 approval of this report with changes noted and
- 9 approval to move this report on to the governor as
- 10 an Energy Commission report. If there are any
- 11 questions, I can answer them at this time.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner
- 13 Pfannenstiel.
- 14 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank you,
- 15 Claudia. That was an excellent description of
- 16 what we have in front of us. The Efficiency
- 17 Committee has been -- Commissioner Rosenfeld and I
- 18 have been extremely involved in the development of
- 19 this report and its recommendations.
- 20 It left us a little less positive I
- 21 think than we would have wanted to be. We would
- 22 have wanted to leap into this immediately with
- this tool that we can make available to all
- 24 commercial buildings, but the truth of the matter
- 25 was that the Energy Star, which is certainly the

1 preferred tool for all of the reasons expressed,

- 2 doesn't adequately reflect California buildings.
- 3 It samples just a small number of the
- 4 million and a half California commercial
- 5 buildings. We thought that what we needed to do
- 6 was to find a way to develop that into more of a
- 7 California tool. We have the PIER work going on,
- 8 which will bring the commercial data set into that
- 9 model. In addition, we are talking with US EPA,
- 10 both Art and myself are meeting with them to
- 11 discuss how to bring this more into a California-
- 12 based tool.
- 13 With that and with the really excellent
- 14 work the staff has done to examine all of the
- different possibilities, I believe the report
- 16 quite well captures what we have left to do and
- 17 what our recommendations are at the moment.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Other comments?
- 19 Let me also then just add to staff, and I
- 20 appreciate your acknowledgement of what I felt was
- 21 an excellent report back in November of 2000 when
- 22 I read this. I thought this is already a
- 23 benchmarking tool, so I appreciate the
- 24 modification to the report and would ask two
- things.

One, as you think about the workshops

- 2 that you include the subject matter that was
- 3 identified in the energy accounting when you have
- 4 that as a reminder, and then recognize that
- 5 although the software programs identified in this
- 6 report, and being five years old now, probably six
- 7 when it was written, have changed. That the
- 8 underlying principles are still as important as
- 9 they ever were. I want to commend staff for the
- 10 work that they've done in the past in this area
- and ask that perhaps we consider updating the
- 12 Commission's Efficiency Project Management
- 13 Handbook in that process.
- 14 As we distribute this report, be sure
- 15 and also reference this existing document. Thank
- 16 you. I have no further comments.
- 17 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: With that, I
- 18 move the report.
- 19 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 20 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I second.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 22 favor?
- 23 (Ayes.)
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 25 So moved, thank you.

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1 MS. ORLANDO: Thank you.
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- 2 Adopted four to nothing.
- 3 Item three, OTAY MESA Energy Center.
- 4 Possible approval of a petition to change
- 5 ownership of the OTAY MESA Generating Project from
- 6 OTAY MESA Generating Company, LLC to OTAY MESA
- 7 Energy Center, LLC. The new orders an indirect
- 8 wholly owned subsidiary of Calpine Corporation.
- 9 Mr. Pryor.
- 10 MR. PRYOR: Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
- 11 Commissioners. I am Marc Pryor, and I am the
- 12 Compliance Project Manager for the OTAY MESA
- 13 project.
- We received a petition on 26 August,
- 15 signed by Mr. Richard Thomas. It states that as
- 16 the owner and operator of the project, he speaks
- for the company of course, they understand the
- 18 conditions of certification agrees to comply with
- 19 them.
- 20 We have not received any interest in the
- 21 case, and we recommend approval of the petition.
- 22 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I move approval
- of the order, but I do want to express some
- 24 concern identified in the back up materials for
- 25 this item. From the staff memo it says that due

1 to financing issues, construction of the project

- 2 stopped in the spring of 2005 after approximately
- 3 six percent of the project has been completed.
- 4 I believe on our website, we continued
- 5 to identify the project as having recommenced
- 6 construction or initiated construction in the
- 7 spring of 2004. We originally approved this
- 8 project in the spring of 2001, I think before any
- 9 of us -- well I think before Commissioner
- 10 Pfannenstiel, yourself, and I were on the
- 11 Commission.
- 12 I know this project was beset by
- 13 problems of the absence of a procurement contract
- 14 for a number of years, but my impression is that
- 15 the Public Utilities Commission corrected that
- 16 more than a year ago. I know that there was a set
- 17 of required transmission upgrades that would be
- 18 required for the project. My impression is the
- 19 Public Utilities Commission has approved those
- 20 upgrades.
- I am wary of why this project hasn't
- gone forward more aggressively in what we can do
- in conjunction with our colleagues at the Public
- 24 Utilities Commission to make certain that it comes
- on line of when we have been told it's needed to

- 1 come on line in 2008.
- 2 MR. PRYOR: Commissioner Geesman, your
- 3 point is well taken. I've asked the company to
- 4 provide a representative today, Mr. Jeffrey
- 5 Harris. Here he is.
- 6 MR. HARRIS: Jeff Harris, with Ellis,
- 7 Snyder, and Harris on behalf of Calpine for the
- 8 OTAY MESA Project. Thank you for the opportunity
- 9 to be here.
- 10 Commissioner, to address your concerns,
- 11 yes, you are correct that the contract, the PPA
- 12 was approved in 2004. That approval did take
- 13 place. Several of the important conditions
- 14 precedent to that contract going forward including
- the important transmission upgrades you talked
- 16 about have taken place.
- 17 Currently, though, there is an
- 18 administrative proceeding at the Commission to re-
- 19 approve that contract -- no, at the PUC. We
- 20 approved the Power Purchase Agreement Contract and
- 21 moved things forward. Any support that you all
- 22 can give in helping us get through that
- 23 administrative process at the CPUC would be
- 24 greatly appreciated.
- Just to give you an update that Calpine

- 1 and DWR have executed a milestone extension
- 2 letter, and that is tied to making progress on a
- 3 power purchase agreement at the PUC, so that
- 4 really is more than anything else the issue for
- 5 the project right now.
- 6 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: What is the time
- 7 frame for review of that power purchase agreement?
- 8 MR. HARRIS: I don't have an exact date,
- 9 Commissioner. I know it's a very top priority for
- 10 the company because that will obviously allow the
- 11 financing. The action that is before you today,
- the change of ownership, is to facilitate that
- 13 financing of the project. We are all pretty much
- 14 hung up on the PPA issue.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: I actually have a
- 16 couple of questions. If I can recall from memory
- 17 here one of the other conditions precedent dealt
- 18 with the assignment of what I thought was a
- 19 sunrise contract or one of the other contracts
- 20 onto the utilities that for OTAY MESA at the PUC,
- 21 and I was wondering if that was also taken up in
- this discussion at the PUC or if that has been
- 23 resolved.
- MR. HARRIS: Mr. Chairman, I am not
- 25 counsel for Calpine at the PUC on this matter, so

1 I can't answer the question. I will get you an

- answer.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Okay. Secondly,
- 4 who initiated the request for a re-approval of the
- 5 contract at the PUC?
- 6 MR. HARRIS: Again, I'll have to get you
- 7 an answer on that. I apologize, I have not been
- 8 involved at all at the PUC proceedings.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Okay.
- 10 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I've got one that
- 11 I think relates more directly to our jurisdiction.
- 12 That is our license I suspect has a five-year time
- 13 table on it, which by my calculation would come up
- 14 some time next spring. Is it reasonable for us to
- expect that you will be back in front of us, Mr.
- 16 Harris, asking for that deadline to be extended?
- MR. HARRIS: That would be a worse case
- 18 scenario for us, Commissioner. We know the
- 19 Commission has the discretion to extend the
- 20 license, and we don't want to be in a position to
- 21 have to ask you to exercise that discretion.
- The important issue right now is the PPA
- 23 and getting the financing in place for the
- 24 project, so I am not anticipating that we will be
- 25 back in the spring, but this is a very high

- 1 priority, obviously for the company, to get the
- 2 PPA issues resolved, so we can move forward with
- 3 construction.
- 4 This project is in a terrific location,
- 5 and it is very much needed, so I understand and
- 6 appreciate the Commission's concern about getting
- 7 it on line.
- 8 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I'm told that our
- 9 colleague or former colleague, Chairman Keese has
- 10 been named to the Calpine Board in the last day or
- so, so I am hopeful that the company can gain the
- 12 attention of state government in moving forward
- with appropriate diligence.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Just a question
- for staff, and that would be to determine whether
- or not our summer 2006 forecast is likely to be
- 17 adjusted or impacted by any possible delay
- 18 regarding the availability of this resource.
- 19 You don't need to respond today, but,
- 20 again, just to make sure that we are considering
- 21 and factoring that into our assessments.
- MR. PRYOR: Yes, sir, I'll have to get
- 23 back to you.
- 24 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I think we have
- shown it as December of '08 coming on.

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1 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Okay.
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- 2 COMMISSIONER BOYD: This is actually
- 3 quite a complicated series of dominoes and
- 4 volunteer. I know South Bay, OTAY MESA, and
- 5 Sunrise are all hooked together in some
- 6 complicated negotiations and leveraging that is
- 7 going on as you referenced here in this.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you. So, I
- 9 will look for a motion unless there is anything
- 10 else.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: So moved.
- 12 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 13 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Second.
- 14 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 15 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 16 favor.
- 17 (Ayes.)
- 18 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 19 So moved. Thank you.
- 20 Item four, the City of Santa Monica and
- 21 possible approval of the city's adoption and
- 22 enforcement of a local ordinance requiring energy
- 23 efficiency more stringent than the 2005 Building
- 24 Energy Efficiency Standards, which is Title 24,
- 25 Part 6.

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1 Mr. Hudler.
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- 2 MR. HUDLER: Good morning,
- 3 Commissioners. My name is Rob Hudler. I'm with
- 4 the Building and Appliance Standards office.
- 5 Since I also have the Marin County, I'd like to
- 6 give a little background that is related to both
- 7 projects first.
- 8 Under California Code of Regulations
- 9 Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-106 does allow for
- 10 locally adopted energy standards which exceed
- 11 Title 24 building standards.
- 12 The requirements within that section
- 13 basically require that staff review in detail any
- 14 technical analysis that was submitted and do an
- 15 overview of any cost analysis.
- 16 At this point in time, for the City of
- 17 Santa Monica, staff would request approval of
- 18 their local ordinance in the fact that we have
- 19 found that their technical analysis was sound and
- 20 they did provide a cost analysis.
- 21 This is the third time that the City of
- 22 Santa Monica has applied for the system. In this
- 23 particular cycle, they are looking at an estimated
- 24 10 percent savings above the 2005 building
- 25 standards.

1 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner

- 2 Pfannenstiel.
- 3 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: First of
- 4 all, I think that we should point out that both
- 5 Item 4 that we are examining now and Item 5, which
- 6 is Marin County, represent really good news.
- 7 These are counties that are willing to have the
- 8 courage of their political convictions to go
- 9 further than our upcoming new standards, which are
- 10 considerably more stringent than the existing
- 11 building standards.
- 12 To the extent that these counties have
- 13 found that in their jurisdictions, that it is cost
- 14 effective to require standards more stringent than
- 15 ours there if they have adopted them, and this is
- 16 both a legal and I would say -- this is a legal
- 17 matter for us to approve. I would also suggest an
- 18 opportunity for us to support this.
- 19 I point out a difference, though, that I
- 20 think is really interesting. The Marin County
- 21 standards, and it is described in the document,
- 22 but what they do is set a 3,500 square foot home
- as the standard. Any home that exceeds 3,500 --
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: (Indiscernible).
- 25 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: As a

1 ceiling, and in any home that exceeds 3,500 square

- 2 feet needs to have additional efficiency to bring
- 3 it to the efficiency level of our standards at
- 4 3,500 square feet. That is quite a hurdle to
- 5 reach, and the county has determined that this is
- 6 cost effective for their citizens. I think they
- 7 should be commended.
- 8 With that, I would if there are no
- 9 further questions, I would move both items 4 and
- 10 5.
- 11 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 12 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Second.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those --
- 14 Commissioner Geesman.
- 15 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Let me observe
- that this is a process that does repeat itself.
- 17 The City of Santa Monica has been several times
- 18 before, and it is one that I think we should take
- 19 some instruction from, not only in the efficiency
- area, but in other aspects of our program.
- 21 Certainly, we have benefitted in the renewables
- 22 area from local initiatives where local political
- 23 conditions or local leadership have inspired the
- 24 governmental jurisdictions to move out
- 25 substantially ahead of where state government has

- 1 been willing to go.
- We have benefitted from that
- 3 historically quite a bit. I am hopeful that as we
- 4 get into the transportation fuels area in the plan
- 5 that we are called upon to adopt next spring, that
- 6 we can also channel that local energy that exists.
- 7 It is truly a spirit of I think innovation and
- 8 experimentation that we can learn quite a bit
- 9 from. I am certainly in support of this on both
- 10 items 4 and 5.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: We have a motion
- 12 and second. Any further comment or questions?
- I'll call for the vote.
- 14 (Ayes.)
- 15 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Those opposed?
- So moved. Thank you.
- 17 Item 5, the County of Marin. This is
- 18 essentially the same presentation, so any
- 19 further -- I did have --
- 20 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: I think that
- 21 the motion carried both.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Okay, we are going
- 23 to cover both? Fine, thank you. We are all set
- with item 4 and item 5.
- MR. NITTLER: Ready to go into No. 6

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- 1 then?
- 2 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Yes. This is
- 3 MICROPAS, and I will note a change on the text
- 4 which is that it is MICROPAS7.1 not MICROPAS7
- 5 version 7.0. With that, we are looking at agenda
- 6 item 6. Possible approval of the software program
- 7 MICROPAS7.1 for use in complying with the 2005
- 8 residential efficiency standards.
- 9 MR. HUDLER: Right. Within the building
- 10 standards administrative code Section 10-109
- 11 provides for requirements for public domain
- 12 programs, but also puts in options for alternative
- 13 calculation methods from private vendors.
- 14 MICOPAS7.0 was already approved back in
- 15 March as part of a compliance tool for the 2005
- 16 standards. The new version, 7.1, includes all the
- 17 minimal and optional modeling capabilities for
- 18 residential calculations.
- 19 Staff has reviewed the version 7.1 and
- 20 found that it meets all the testing requirements.
- 21 Again, staff is requesting approval for this
- version at this time. I would like to acknowledge
- 23 and thank Ken Nittler who is here from EnerComp as
- 24 well as Martin Dodd of Energy Soft for all the
- 25 efforts that they put forward in order to get this

- 1 2005 standards program available.
- 2 Ken Martin, our market competitors, and
- 3 yet they work together, and I feel without their
- 4 efforts, the 2005 standards would be considerably
- 5 delayed if not impossible.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you. We
- 7 have a request from Mr. Nittler if he wishes to
- 8 speak to this issue.
- 9 MR. NITTLER: Thank you. Good morning,
- 10 Mr. Chairman and Commissioners. I am Ken Nittler
- 11 with Enercomp. We are located up in Auburn. We
- 12 are the authors of the MICROPAS software and a
- 13 regular participant on issues related to the
- 14 building energy standards.
- 15 I would just like to note a couple of
- 16 things related to this approval request. I am
- 17 kind of proud to stand here and tell you this is
- 18 the seventh major private sector version of
- 19 MICROPAS that has been approved or hopefully will
- 20 be approved since 1983.
- 21 That means that when I started doing
- this, I didn't have gray hair and I had less
- 23 weight carrying around here, but that is more than
- 24 22 years. I estimate that more than 2.5 million
- 25 new homes and apartments have used MICROPAS for

1 the compliance documentation since it was first

- 2 approved and also hundreds of thousands of
- 3 additions as well. Kind of a neat track record
- 4 there.
- 5 A couple of other comments just in
- 6 general. I have been doing a lot of work around
- 7 the country, and I've got to tell you that
- 8 building standards here in California are clearly
- 9 the single most successful building energy
- 10 standard nationwide.
- I believe this really can be directly
- 12 attributed to several things. One is the
- 13 establishment of the California Energy Commission
- 14 with its skilled and engaged staff that pays
- 15 attention and works hard to make the standards
- 16 better at each cycle.
- I also think whoever had the wisdom
- 18 years ago when the Warren Alquist doc was set up
- 19 to make the standard be based on life cycle cost
- 20 effectiveness was an incredibly brilliant person
- 21 or persons because that piece, saying that energy
- 22 efficiency is supposed to be based on life cycle
- 23 cost effectiveness, doesn't exist in any other
- 24 building standard.
- When you are talking about energy

- 1 efficiency, if you only do it on first cost,
- 2 things don't work out very well.
- 3 I would also like to note that I believe
- 4 that a big part of the reason the standards have
- 5 been a success here in California are in fact
- 6 because of its flexibility, not in spite of its
- 7 flexibility.
- 8 Occasionally you hear people talking
- 9 about, oh, they want everything to be simple and
- 10 wouldn't it be nice. It turns out that because
- 11 California has such diverse climates with
- 12 incredibly divergent building practices, if we try
- 13 to one size fits all kind of approach, I really
- don't think we would have achieved as much as we
- 15 have in the building standards over the last 20 or
- so years.
- 17 I'd like to thank the staff that worked
- on this directly, especially Rob Hudler and
- 19 Valerie Hall. I know it is a busy time getting
- 20 ready for October 1.
- 21 I want to tell you that for future that
- 22 we are ready to support integration of demand
- 23 response technologies and photovoltaic systems
- 24 into MICROPAS and perhaps other software products
- 25 as we move towards the future.

1 With regards to that and before you

- 2 already pre-passed March version 7, this is an
- 3 approval to add the capability to do additions and
- 4 alterations that are a pretty key component.
- 5 About half of the residential construction dollar
- 6 in California goes to those items. I look forward
- 7 to your approval. Thank you.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 9 Ouestions or comments.
- 10 Commissioner Geesman.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I just observed
- 12 that the individual probably most responsible was
- 13 Ronald Doctor, who was one of the consultants at
- 14 the Rand Corporation that provided the Legislature
- 15 with a report that the Warren Alquist Act later
- 16 stemmed from. Ron later served as one of the
- 17 first members of the Energy Commission.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 19 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: I would move
- 20 the item.
- 21 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 22 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: Second.
- 23 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 25 favor?

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1 (Ayes.)
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 3 So moved. Thank you for those comments
- 4 and the acknowledgement of staff's work as well.
- 5 Agenda item 7, the City of Sebastopol,
- 6 possible approval of a loan to the City for
- 7 \$242,898.00 to install energy efficient HVAC
- 8 systems and controls, variable frequency drives,
- 9 and SCADA control systems and municipal water
- 10 systems as well as city building.
- 11 Pay back is estimated at 6.14 years.
- 12 Mr. Hartley.
- 13 MR. HARTLEY: Good morning. I am Mike
- 14 Hartley with the Public Programs Office. Staff is
- requesting approval of the \$242,898.00 loan under
- 16 the Energy Conservation Assistance Account for the
- 17 City of Sebastopol to improve the energy
- 18 efficiency of systems in the city.
- 19 The city has recently participated in
- 20 two energy audits of the city buildings and the
- 21 municipal water system. A California Energy
- 22 Commission technical assistance study funded
- 23 through the Energy Partnership Program and
- 24 conducted by Brown Vincent Associates, was
- 25 completed in June 2005 identifying cost effective

1 HVAC measures for the library, police station, and

- 2 City Hall.
- 3 An additional opportunities were found
- 4 for replacing motors, pumps, and updating the
- 5 SCADA system for the municipal water system.
- A second energy audit conducted through
- 7 the Association of Bay Area Governments and funded
- 8 by the California Public Utilities Commission
- 9 identified additional HVAC measures.
- 10 The measures being funded through this
- loan are supported by savings identified in both
- 12 studies and are expected to save 225,742 KWhs
- annually and reduce peak demand by 43.6 KW.
- 14 The reduction of electricity usage and
- demand will save the City of Sebastopol about
- \$40,000 a year providing a simple pay back of just
- 17 a little over six years.
- 18 Commission staff has reviewed the
- 19 project and believes that it is both technically
- and economically feasible, meets the loan program
- 21 requirements, and recommends approval of the loan.
- 22 The Efficiency Committee has also looked at this
- and recommended their approval.
- 24 Staff respectfully requests full
- 25 Commission approval of this loan.

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1 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Comments?
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- 2 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Mr.
- 3 Chairman, the Efficiency Committee has, as was
- 4 just mentioned, reviewed this project and approved
- 5 it, and so I would move the item.
- 6 (Thereupon the motion was made.)
- 7 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I second it,
- 8 but I do have a friendly question. This six year
- 9 pay back, presumably there are some rebates from
- 10 energy efficiency programs that also are going
- into this project? That is, is this six year pay
- back after rebates or before rebates, or do you
- 13 know?
- 14 MR. HARTLEY: I don't know. I think
- they were looking at some rebates from PG&E.
- 16 Yeah, but I don't have any figures on exactly what
- 17 they are looking at there.
- 18 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: Okay, anyway, I
- 19 second it.
- 20 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 21 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 22 favor?
- 23 (Ayes.)
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 25 So moved.

- 1 Agenda Item 8. I will note that Mr.
- 2 Maul is not present, and Mary Dyas and Suzanne
- 3 Finney will be speaking to this issue. This is
- 4 the Safety Advisory Report on the proposed Sound
- 5 Energy Solutions LNG Terminal at the Port of Long
- 6 Beach and is designated by the governor, the CEC,
- 7 in consultation with state and local agencies, has
- 8 prepared this report in response to the recently
- 9 passed Energy Policy Act of 2005, which allows
- 10 states with pending on-shore LNG terminal
- 11 applications to identify safety issues and
- 12 concerns.
- I want to before you start
- 14 acknowledging, recognize the hard work in the very
- 15 short time frame in which I know staff was
- 16 coordinating with many of these agencies. Please
- 17 go ahead, Ms. Dyas and Ms. Finney.
- 18 MS. DYAS: Thank you, Chairman, and good
- 19 morning, Commissioners. My name is Mary Dyas, I'm
- 20 with the Natural Gas Office. With me is Dr.
- 21 Suzanne Finney, a consultant with the Aspen
- 22 Environmental Group.
- We are here to present the Safety
- 24 Advisory Report to the Long Beach LNG Import
- 25 Terminal Project for the Commission's approval.

1 This report was prepared as a result of

- 2 the Energy Policy Act of 2005, which was enacted
- 3 on August 8. The Act allows states with a pending
- 4 on-shore LNG terminal application to identify
- 5 safety issues and concerns regarding the terminal
- 6 in an advisory report filed with the Federal
- 7 Energy Regulatory Commission which in turn must
- 8 respond to the issues raised in the Advisory
- 9 Report.
- 10 The Energy Commission was designated by
- 11 the governor to prepare this report which was
- 12 written with the cooperation of a number of other
- 13 state and local agencies and was filed with FERC
- by the deadline of September 7.
- 15 California is the only state to have
- 16 filed a Safety Advisory Report. We are requesting
- 17 the Commission adopt this report so there is no
- 18 confusion at FERC that this is a Commission
- 19 document. Given the original 30-day report
- deadline to FERC, we didn't have time to have the
- 21 Commission formally adopt this report before
- 22 today.
- 23 Are there any questions?
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner
- 25 Geesman?

1 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I would point out

- 2 that the staff did make the document available to
- 3 each of us for our review prior to its submittal.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 5 COMMISSIONER BOYD: I would further
- 6 point out that the subject matter was discussed
- 7 several times within the frame work of the Natural
- 8 Gas Committee and, of course, in the inner-agency
- 9 LNG working group, but as the Chairman noted and
- 10 as the staff noted, in the very short period of
- 11 time we had, it was not able to be handled in a
- 12 routine matter.
- In any event, I would move adoption of
- 14 the report, therefore.
- 15 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 16 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Just a
- 17 question. You mentioned California is the only
- 18 state that has submitted the report. Is that
- 19 because we are the only one that has a terminal
- that has been announced and being sited?
- 21 DR. FINNEY: No, there are actually six
- 22 states that would have had the opportunities to
- 23 submit a report, but we were the only one that
- 24 did.
- 25 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: It is a

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1 voluntary action to do so?
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- DR. FINNEY: Yes.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Just also a point
- 4 of clarification, FERC's response to this now will
- 5 be in what time frame?
- DR. FINNEY: They need to respond before
- 7 action is taken on the proposed terminal, but it
- 8 is not clear how they will respond or when in that
- 9 time frame they will respond.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Mr. Chairman, I
- 12 will second the motion.
- 13 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 14 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Very good. I'll
- 15 call for a vote. All those in favor?
- 16 (Ayes.)
- 17 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 18 So moved. Thank you, and thank you for
- 19 the hard work.
- 20 Agenda item No. 9 which is Assignment of
- 21 Committee to the California Public Utility
- 22 Commission Rulemaking and consideration to
- 23 participate in the PUCs OIR R 05-06-040 regarding
- 24 the confidentiality issue for the electricity
- 25 procurement proceeding and the approval of staff's

1 recommendation that the Electricity Committee

- 2 provide policy guidance.
- 3 Ms. Tachera.
- 4 MS. TACHERA: Thank you, Chairman,
- 5 Commissioners. This is a request to participate
- 6 in the PUC proceeding, and we recommend that the
- 7 issue be assigned to the Electricity Committee.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner
- 9 Geesman.
- 10 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Mr. Chairman,
- 11 I'll move approval of the staff recommendation.
- 12 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 13 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: As we are all
- 14 well aware, we've spent a lot of time on this
- topic here in front of us as it regards the IEPR
- 16 process.
- 17 I hope that we are able to bundle up the
- 18 administrative record in both our demand of forms
- 19 proceeding which is now in court and the supply
- 20 forms proceeding we've just issued our order and
- 21 may very well end up in court and make that record
- 22 available to the CPUC in this process.
- I think the utilities made a very good
- 24 point in front of us that the two agencies should
- 25 have a common standard, that it doesn't make any

1 sense to have any conflicting standard in that

- 2 regard.
- I think one of the most significant
- 4 aspects of the Energy Action Plan Volume II is the
- 5 commitment made in the introductory section to
- 6 removing the remaining barriers to transparency in
- 7 the Electricity Procurement process.
- 8 I attach quite a bit of significance to
- 9 that for two reasons. One is the recognition of
- 10 the barriers that exist, and two, the commitment
- 11 to move forward and remove them. I think we can
- 12 be a help to the PUC by intervening in their
- 13 proceeding.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you,
- 15 Commissioner Geesman. Additional comments?
- 16 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: I would just
- 17 second the motion.
- 18 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 19 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 20 favor?
- 21 (Ayes.)
- 22 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 23 So moved. Thank you.
- 24 Agenda item No. 10, Arvind Thekdi, and
- 25 if I pronounced that incorrectly, please let me

1 know. Possible approval of contract, 400-05-003

- for \$40,000. I understand that this is actually a
- 3 reduction to \$28,000.
- 4 MR. LOWELL: \$28,100, that is correct.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: To deliver up to
- 6 four DOE Industrial Process Heating Best Practice
- 7 workshops and/or onsite industrial plant
- 8 assessments. Go ahead.
- 9 MR. LOWELL: Good morning, Chairman and
- 10 Commissioners. I am Clint Lowell from the
- 11 Industrial Energy Efficiency Program.
- We ask the Commission to approve this
- \$28,100 training and assessment contract to
- 14 conduct industrial process heating efficiency
- training workshops and assessments.
- This contract is with Arvind Thekdi, an
- 17 independent contract and a certified US Department
- 18 of Energy qualified heating specialist.
- 19 The proposed scope of work includes
- 20 holding four day long process heating training
- 21 workshops in partnership with local utilities. In
- 22 partnership with the manufacturing plant and the
- local utility, we propose to conduct two one-day
- 24 training workshops at the plant site followed by a
- 25 subsequent day of hands on training, an audit of

- 1 this manufacturing plant.
- 2 This will enable the students to utilize
- 3 under instructional supervision the course
- 4 information and the Department of Energy software
- 5 that was presented the day before.
- 6 This contract will conclude with a day
- 7 long training session held at yet another
- 8 manufacturing plant followed by a full plant
- 9 energy audit and training session utilizing DOE
- 10 technical material and analysis software.
- 11 By accomplishing these tasks, we propose
- 12 to demonstrate the ability to provide low cost
- 13 effective industrial energy efficiency assessments
- or audits by leveraging funding from not only
- 15 industry, local utilities, the Commission's grant
- 16 funds, and industrial assessment centers.
- 17 We ask your approval of this contract.
- 18 Any questions, please?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Before questions,
- 20 I would just like to note that the back of
- 21 documentation contained from our contract's office
- 22 still indicates the \$40,000 figure, so final
- 23 approval, assuming that we vote to accept that.
- 24 Questions or comments from the other
- 25 Commissioners?

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1 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Just a
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- 2 clarification. These are DOE dollars, correct,
- 3 funneled through the Energy Commission for
- 4 approval?
- 5 MR. LOWELL: These are from a DOE grant
- 6 that we have received that we will use to
- 7 implement these projects.
- 8 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: With that
- 9 clarification, I will move the item.
- 10 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 11 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I second it.
- 12 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 13 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: I would note that
- 14 I believe it was within the last week or two that
- 15 the PUC approved industrial rate discount for
- 16 those customers facing economic problems.
- 17 My question would be if we have \$40,000,
- 18 and maybe the Contracts Office has the answer to
- 19 this, if it is a \$40,000 grant, why not spend all
- \$40,000, meaning could we use the difference
- 21 between the \$28,100 to conduct additional
- 22 industrial audits when in fact those customers may
- 23 be faced with having to leave the State of
- 24 California?
- MR. LOWELL: I can answer that,

1 Chairman. This contract is just one of many that

- 2 we have before you, some of which do not require
- 3 business meeting approval. We have a full program
- 4 planned implementing training programs in all six
- 5 cross cutting industrial processes that will
- 6 include boilers, process heating, compressed air,
- 7 electric, motor pumps, etc.
- 8 We look to leverage and partnership our
- 9 limited resources with everyone that we can,
- 10 including utilities, industry, and the
- 11 universities.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: I would ask that
- 13 staff would communicate the availability of these
- 14 resources to the PUC in the light of their recent
- decision, and likewise, it may be something we
- want to add in the future to the Energy Action
- 17 Plan.
- With that, we have a motion and a
- 19 second. I'll call for a vote. All those in
- 20 favor?
- 21 (Ayes.)
- 22 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 23 So moved. Thank you.
- MR. LOWELL: Thank you very much.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Agenda item No.

1 11, Gilbert Associates, Inc., possible approval of

- 2 contract 400-05-004 for \$124,500 to provide
- 3 independent financial and compliance auditing
- 4 services related to the Commission's Efficiency
- 5 Master Trust Revenue Bond Series. Ms. Heinz.
- 6 MS. HEINZ: Hello, Commissioners. My
- 7 name is Jane Heinz, and staff is asking approval
- 8 of the contract to provide auditing services to be
- 9 consistent with our bond documents under the
- 10 2003(a) and 5(a) documents.
- 11 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I'll move the
- 12 item.
- 13 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 14 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Second.
- 15 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 16 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Unless there is
- any further questions or comments, I'll call for a
- 18 vote. All those in favor?
- 19 (Ayes.)
- 20 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 21 So moved. Thank you.
- No. 12. Gas Technology Institute,
- 23 possible approval of Contract 500-05-011 for
- \$558,540 with GTI to conduct research on
- 25 commercial gas fryers for food service and a

- 1 market assessment of the next generation of
- 2 residential instantaneous water heaters. I would
- 3 note that we've discussed some of these items in
- 4 previous business meetings, so please go ahead,
- 5 Ms. Peterson.
- 6 MS. PETERSON: My name is Ann Peterson.
- 7 I'm the lead of the PIER Building's Team. The
- 8 item before you is a contract, a natural gas
- 9 contract, in the amount of \$558,540 with Gas
- 10 Technology Institute. The purpose of the contract
- is to develop a commercial gas fryer that reduces
- 12 energy and operating costs for commercial frying
- in California food service.
- 14 Secondly, the contract will study and
- 15 evaluate instantaneous water heating technology in
- 16 a California marketplace, project potential market
- 17 growth and energy savings, identify barriers, and
- 18 recommend strategies for next generation
- 19 technology.
- This item has gone before the R & D
- 21 Policy Committee, and I'd be happy to answer any
- 22 questions that you have.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 24 Commissioner Geesman.
- 25 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: You mentioned it

1 was a natural gas contract. Is this funded out of

- our Natural Gas Research Program?
- MS. PETERSON: Yes, it is.
- 4 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Are we calling
- 5 that PIER or PING, or do we have a brand name yet?
- 6 MS. PETERSON: I think that last I heard
- 7 it is PIER Natural Gas.
- 8 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I think we need
- 9 to clarify that on our agenda just to make sure
- 10 that we are using the natural gas research dollars
- 11 to fund this effort.
- 12 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: So, maybe next
- 13 time it will say PIER NG funded.
- MS. PETERSON: Yes.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Very good.
- 16 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: I'll move the
- 17 item.
- 18 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Second.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 20 favor?
- 21 (Ayes.)
- 22 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 23 So moved. Thank you.
- MS. PETERSON: Thank you.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Item No. 13,

- 1 Regents of the University of California Irvine,
- 2 possible approval of contract 500-00-20 Amendment
- 3 2, with the Regents to reduce the original
- 4 contract amount by \$591,904 to \$1,755,603. The
- 5 scope having been modified from Project 1 and
- 6 reallocating to Project 2.
- 7 Mr. Soinski.
- 8 MR. SOINSKI: Good morning,
- 9 Commissioners, my name is Art Soinski. I am the
- 10 team lead for the Environmentally Preferred
- 11 Advance Generation and the Public Interest Energy
- 12 Research Program.
- I am requesting approval of an amendment
- 14 to a contract for three projects conducted with
- 15 the University of California Irvine under the
- 16 direction of Professor Scott Samuelson.
- 17 The three projects have a commonality in
- 18 that they are all dealing with the use of micro-
- 19 turbine generators and the evaluation of the
- 20 performance of micro-turbine generators under both
- 21 natural gas, liquid fuels, and alternative fuels.
- 22 Project 1 is the pacing project, it was
- 23 design and install the capability to provide
- 24 synthetic mixtures of gasses which would simulate
- 25 bio-fuels.

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Originally, there was going to be a
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- 2 rather extensive piece of equipment known as a
- 3 fuel reformer that was going to provide mixtures
- 4 of carbon monoxide and hydrogen. The company that
- 5 was going to supply that went bankrupt, and other
- 6 suppliers were much more expensive than the
- original suppliers. As a result, the project was
- 8 on hold for about two years.
- 9 Now Professor Samuelson and I have
- 10 agreed to modification of the scope of the
- 11 contract whereby carbon monoxide and hydrogen
- 12 gasses will be provided either by tanks or two
- trailers resulting in a substantial cost reduction
- of \$700,000 and some dollars.
- 15 Part of the money that was saved in
- 16 Project 1 is going to Projects 2 and 3. This is
- 17 to reflect cost over runs. I guess I shouldn't
- 18 say cost overruns, but changes in the expectations
- of having to actually do more hardware testing and
- 20 less modeling in order to determine how modified
- 21 combustors for micro-turbines should be done.
- I'll be happy to answer any questions
- 23 you have about the --
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner Boyd.
- 25 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Art, what does this

1 foretell for research and the use of bio-fuels.

- 2 It sounds like we haven't been able to move that
- 3 ball very far down the field so to speak.
- 4 MR. SOINSKI: The purpose was to really
- 5 determine whether a stock, micro-turbine, or let's
- 6 a fuel cell because the capabilities are there for
- 7 using almost any distributor generation technology
- 8 on simulated gasses, so we could do a lot of what
- 9 if type analyses.
- 10 There is also the capability to use
- 11 ethane and propane mixtures, so that will allow us
- to get some handle on what would happen if we
- 13 bring in LNG, which has content of higher hydro
- 14 carbons, which are typically difficult to use in
- 15 something, for example, fuel cells.
- 16 What this will do is really tell
- 17 manufacturers without putting a piece of
- 18 distributed generation equipment into the field,
- 19 how other equipment would work on a gas from
- 20 almost any type of composition containing bio-gas
- 21 components or LNG components.
- I don't know if that answers your
- 23 question. It in and of itself, it is a test
- 24 facility, and it is an implementation of hardware
- 25 modifications to micro-turbine generators. That

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1 is the scope of this. Now that capability, as I
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- 2 said, will remain at the University of California
- 3 Irvine and could be used by other manufacturers on
- 4 their test equipment.
- 5 Professor Samuelson has been quite good
- 6 on getting interest from companies and also for
- 7 the US Department of Defense in actually siting
- 8 and pre-certifying various equipment that actually
- 9 goes out into the field.
- 10 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Thank you.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Further questions?
- 12 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I move the
- 13 item.
- 14 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 15 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Second.
- 16 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 17 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 18 favor?
- 19 (Ayes.)
- 20 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 21 So moved.
- MR. SOINSKI: Thank you.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Item No. 14,
- 24 Regents of the University of California, Office of
- 25 the President, CIEE, possible approval of Contract

- 1 500-02-004, Amendment 3 to the Regents of
- 2 University of California Office for spending
- 3 authority up to \$37,000,000 and a two-year
- 4 extension through June 30, 2011.
- 5 Mr. Magaletti.
- 6 MR. MAGALETTI: Good morning, Mr.
- 7 Chairman and Commissioners. My name is Mike
- 8 Magaletti. I work for the Public Interest Energy
- 9 Research Program Natural Gas. I come before you
- 10 seeking spending authority to increase an existing
- inter-agency agreement with the University of
- 12 California from a \$50,000,000 total to
- 13 \$87,000,000.
- 14 We are seeking increases not only for
- 15 the electricity program, but also for the natural
- gas program. \$25,000,000 for the electricity
- 17 program, \$12,000,000 for the natural gas program.
- We expect this to fund our research
- 19 projects with the University with governments and
- 20 with other universities outside of California for
- 21 the next two years.
- The other thing I have to mention is
- 23 that we also expect to use this instrument to fund
- 24 the Western Carbon Sequestration Partnership Phase
- 25 2. It is a federal award of some \$14,000,000

1 total, of which at least \$7,000,000 will flow

- 2 through this instrument.
- 3 We right now have approximately
- 4 \$42,000,000 in projects that have either been
- 5 completed or are on-going. We expect to bring
- 6 another \$12,000,000 this year to you for approval.
- 7 One thing I want to emphasize is that we are
- 8 asking for spending authority. All of the
- 9 individual projects that we will pursue must come
- 10 back to the Commission, first through the Policy
- 11 Committee and then to a business meeting for
- 12 approval.
- 13 Are there any other questions?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner
- 15 Pfannenstiel.
- 16 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: On the
- 17 material somewhere that I saw that with the
- 18 addition of these dollars, there will be something
- 19 like \$87,000,000 going under this Master Research
- 20 Agreement. The \$87,000,000 which is composed of
- 21 gas and electricity covers the period from 2002 to
- 22 2011, is that a correct --
- MR. MAGALETTI: We are extended the
- 24 agreement from 2009 to 2011, but really the
- 25 increase in spending authority will be funded out

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1 of the next two years.
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- 2 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Right, but
- 3 that \$87,000,000 is for that entire period of nine
- 4 years --
- 5 MR. MAGALETTI: Yes.
- 6 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: -- that is
- 7 how I'm supposed to be looking at that?
- 8 MR. MAGALETTI: Well, the \$37,000,000.
- 9 I mean we have already allocated and you have
- 10 approved over \$42,000,000. We have a couple of
- 11 projects in the hopper that will breach our
- current spending limit which is \$50,000,000, and
- now we are asking for \$37,000,000 in spending
- 14 authority, so that we can go forward with a number
- of our proposed budget items for this current
- 16 fiscal year in electricity.
- 17 We expect fully now that we have
- 18 authority under natural gas to do the same kind of
- 19 contracting that we have under electricity. We
- 20 expect to be able to use this instrument to fund
- 21 between \$5,000,000 and \$12,000,000 in natural gas
- 22 projects, but they will all come back to you for
- 23 individual approval.
- 24 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: That's good,
- 25 and that's exactly really where I was going is

- 1 that when they come back to us for individual
- 2 approval as, you know, relatively small chunks of
- 3 this \$37,000,000, I think that we need to see some
- 4 context for the individual projects.
- I know I have said this before, but if
- 6 we have -- if we are giving the spending authority
- 7 increase of \$37,000,000, each project that comes
- 8 back to us should be seen in the context of that
- 9 \$37,000,000. To me, it is still a very large
- 10 amount of money, and I know it is shown as being
- 11 just a small part of PIER, but it is still a lot
- 12 of money, so I would like to be able to know each
- time where an individual project fits within this.
- 14 MR. MAGALETTI: We are sensitive to the
- 15 large amount. There is no escaping that
- \$37,000,000 is a big number. We in PIER receive
- on the electricity side over \$62,000,000 a year in
- 18 funds, and on the natural gas side, \$12,000,000,
- 19 next year \$15,000,000 and beyond that \$3,000,000
- 20 up to \$24,000.000.
- 21 Unfortunately, we do deal with large
- 22 numbers, but absolutely, we will committee to
- 23 providing you the context within which each of
- these projects fits in this overall instrument.
- 25 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank you.

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1 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Mr. Chairman.
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- 2 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner Boyd.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BOYD: I would just say I
- 4 share Commissioner Pfannenstiel's interest, I'll
- 5 call it, in the very large piece of change
- 6 involved here. Mr. Magaletti and Mr. Kulkulka
- 7 took me through in quite a bit of detail how this
- 8 works and what the plans are, particularly because
- 9 of my interest in our new natural gas research and
- 10 how it fit in.
- I would just say that I received the
- 12 same assurances that Commissioner Pfannenstiel's
- 13 elicited today with regard to the Commission's
- 14 view of each and everyone of the projects and
- 15 probably posting to some kind of matrix that shows
- us how we are doing with regard to the \$37,000,000
- increment and the whole \$87,000,000 authorization.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Mr. Magaletti, two
- 19 comments. Just looking at the back up information
- 20 here in Table 2 of the \$40,000,000 expended so far
- 21 in worth authorizations. Nearly 50 percent has
- 22 been allocated into the environmental arena. The
- 23 types of questions I would have really relate to,
- 24 and I am not asking that perhaps you are the
- 25 person that can answer this question for me today,

1 but how do we allocate and prioritize relative to

- the IEPR which provides for policy guidance in
- 3 making sure that this work, irrespective of
- 4 whether it is done through this Master Agreement
- 5 or in other areas of PIER as related back to both
- 6 the governor's and the Commission's adopted
- 7 policies. I would make that one note.
- 8 Secondly, I would also note at this
- 9 point, I am still very uncomfortable in making a
- 10 decision only because of the inability to provide
- 11 for the same opportunity to have more detailed
- 12 questions and answers.
- I know that there was some delay in
- 14 getting information that I don't think is through
- any fault of the PIER folks. Before I got this,
- 16 you and I only had a chance to speak very very
- 17 briefly, and I would like the opportunity to sit
- down and ask those types of questions so I can get
- 19 to the same point of comfort. I simply have not
- 20 had that opportunity yet.
- 21 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I would just
- 22 say that being the case, it seems as if we should
- 23 allow a couple of weeks for our chairman and our
- 24 members to be comfortable. I would much sooner
- 25 have comfortable colleagues than pressed

- 1 colleagues.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: I appreciate that,
- 3 Commissioner Rosenfeld. With that, we will hold
- 4 this over then until the next business meeting.
- 5 Contact my office, and we will set that
- 6 up as quickly as possible. Thank you.
- 7 Item No. 15 as I indicated at the
- 8 beginning of the meeting has been pulled on the
- 9 appeal, so we will move to item 16, which is SAIC,
- 10 possible approval of Contract 500-01-007,
- 11 Amendment 2 for \$1,200,000 and a one year
- 12 extension.
- 13 As I understand it, this is the third of
- 14 the three technical service contracts that we have
- 15 that we are extending for one year. Mr.
- 16 Magaletti.
- MR. MAGALETTI: Yes, that is correct. I
- 18 came before you in June with two others. This is
- 19 the third one. It was delayed because of the
- 20 issue that was pulled on the previous item. The
- 21 SAIC did not wish to reveal their overhead fringe
- 22 and unloaded rates.
- They have decided that they will do so,
- and, therefore, we are coming before you to seek
- 25 permission to amend the current contract extending

1 it one year and increasing it spending authority

- 2 by \$1.3 million.
- 3 COMMISSIONER BOYD: I think, Mr.
- 4 Chairman, I would just comment that we keep
- 5 referencing the fact that the previous item was
- 6 pulled, but it was pulled on, as Mr. Magaletti
- 7 said, because the applicant withdrew their appeal.
- 8 So, as he indicated, they are willing to reveal
- 9 the data.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thanks for that
- 11 clarification.
- 12 COMMISSIONER BOYD: It makes it easier
- 13 to deal with this item.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Yes. Commissioner
- 15 Geesman.
- 16 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Is the number
- 17 \$1.2 million or \$1.3 million?
- MR. MAGALETTI: Excuse, it is \$1.2
- 19 million.
- 20 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I move the
- 21 item.
- 22 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 23 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Second.
- 24 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in

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- 2 (Ayes.)
- 3 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed?
- 4 So moved. Thank you, Mr. Magaletti.
- 5 The next item is Energy Action Plan II,
- 6 possible adoption. This plan was created jointly
- 7 by the California Public Utilities Commission and
- 8 the Energy Commission and provides a coordinated
- 9 implementation plan for state energy policies.
- 10 Mr. Kelly.
- 11 MR. KELLY: Good morning. The proposed
- 12 Energy Action Plan that you have before you and
- 13 that for the people in the audience, this is on
- 14 the table out front.
- It is not quite the same that was
- adopted by the PUC on August 25, it has undergone
- 17 considerable improvement since that time,
- 18 principally to reflect the governor's Energy Plan
- 19 and response to our IEPR reports that came out
- just previous to that a couple of days before
- 21 that.
- 22 For example, it includes transportation
- 23 items, which it did not have when the PUC first
- 24 considered it. It has also benefitted from
- 25 additional public input that has happened since

1 the PUC adoption. So, it reflects a multi-agency

- effort, months of hard Commission and staff
- 3 painstaking efforts, and it reminds at this stage
- 4 of a story that is attributed to Henry Kissinger.
- 5 A staffer took his report in to then
- 6 Secretary, and said we are ready for your
- 7 consideration for this document. He says, well,
- 8 is that the best you can do. The staffer says,
- 9 no, there is some things I can work on. He says,
- 10 okay, and gave it back to him. The staffer went
- 11 away, and he came back a month later with a much
- 12 bigger document. Kissinger said, well, is this
- 13 the best you can do. Of course he said, no, I can
- 14 always make some improvements. By that time, the
- 15 staffer was so frustrated, that the next time in
- 16 when Kissinger asked if it was the best he could
- do. He said, of course it is, it is the best I
- 18 can do. He said, okay, then I'll consider it.
- 19 I offer for your consideration this
- 20 draft of the Energy Action Plan II.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Mr. Kelly, I was
- 22 unaware you worked for Mr. Kissinger.
- 23 (Laughter.)
- 24 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: I think he
- 25 works for people just as difficult perhaps as Mr.

1 Kissinger. Mr. Chairman, I would really like to

- 2 start by commending and thanking Thom Kelly.
- 3 There have been a lot of people who have
- 4 participated and contributed to this document. At
- 5 times, many of us who are in that position got
- 6 pretty frustrated and felt that we weren't quite
- 7 sure where to take it. Thom kept it going and
- 8 worked at developing it into the consensus
- 9 document that I believe it reflects.
- 10 I think if one wants to think about what
- 11 a consensus document is, it is probably one that
- doesn't make everybody happy, and one that doesn't
- 13 go quite as far as all of the participants would
- 14 want it to go, but one that ultimately we can look
- 15 at and say, yeah, you know, I can vote my
- 16 conscious and vote with that. I feel that this
- 17 document is that.
- I would like to say, make two points
- 19 about what we have in front of us. One is that it
- 20 really is just an outline. It is, you know,
- 21 thirteen or fourteen pages which can't then
- 22 represent everything that both agencies have in
- 23 front of us for the next several years.
- I mean it is just a very rough outline,
- very rough summary of what we are intending to do.

- 1 The other side of that is, in fact, it is a
- 2 summary or an outline of what we intend. It is a
- 3 document that sets forth what we consider to be
- 4 the action items on our plates between the two
- 5 agencies and describes how we both think about
- 6 going to implement those items.
- 7 It is never intended to be, it was never
- 8 intended to be a policy document. It is not
- 9 supposed to lay out new policy or try to invent
- 10 policy that doesn't exist. It is supposed to take
- 11 policy that has been developed and articulated
- 12 elsewhere and describe how we are going to go
- 13 about that policy.
- 14 The other caveat or descriptive item I
- 15 would put about this is that it really is a point
- in time. Thom mentioned that it is somewhat
- 17 different than the version that was adopted by the
- 18 Public Utilities Commission. That is because, you
- 19 know, the world changes in a month.
- 20 We held off adopting a document until we
- 21 had in front of us the governor's response to the
- 22 2003-2004 IEPR, very important response. That
- 23 document from the governor, I believe, the IEPR --
- 24 if one thinks of the IEPR as a proposed policy
- document, the governor's response to us turns that

- 1 into state policy.
- We had the luxury of taking the
- 3 governor's articulated policy and translating it
- 4 into an action plan. I believe that all of the
- 5 changes or the differences between where the PUC
- 6 was when they adopted the document and where we
- 7 are today is as a result of having the later
- 8 information.
- 9 What that means is that a month from
- 10 now, the world will have changed again, and we
- will probably always be a little behind the eight
- ball. As a point in time, as a September 21, 2005
- document, and as Thom is painfully aware, even as
- 14 of late last night, we are still bringing in what
- we can in terms of the latest information.
- I don't think it is all things to all
- 17 people, nor is it intended to be, but it should
- 18 represent a strong road map of where the energy
- 19 agencies in California are intending to put our
- 20 efforts over the next couple of years.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Further comments?
- 22 Commissioner Geesman.
- 23 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: Yes, Mr.
- 24 Chairman. I'd certainly extend my compliments to
- 25 you and Commissioner Pfannenstiel and Thom for the

1 efforts that you have made in developing this, and

- 2 also to Commissioner Peevey, Commissioner
- 3 Grueneich, and Aaron Brown at the Public Utilities
- 4 Commission.
- 5 This is hard work, and as Commissioner
- 6 Pfannenstiel acknowledged, no one is ever totally
- 7 satisfied, but I think the significant thing is
- 8 that large numbers of areas where the two agencies
- 9 are in agreement with each other.
- 10 There have been a lot of concern voiced
- in different quarters over the last couple of
- 12 years of the need for state government to speak
- with a single voice in energy policy matters.
- 14 For better of for worse, this is that
- 15 single voice, and I think it has been developed in
- 16 a very pluralistic and fairly transparent process.
- 17 To me, the primary shortcomings that we often fall
- 18 is our failure to aggressively pursue the policies
- 19 that we agree upon.
- I think here we've laid out a large
- 21 number of policies that we agree upon, and I am
- 22 hopeful that under your leadership and
- 23 Commissioner Peevey's that we can move forward
- 24 aggressively in pursuing those.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you,

- 1 Commissioner Geesman.
- 2 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Mr. Chairman?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner Boyd.
- 4 COMMISSIONER BOYD: I would just like to
- 5 add my compliments and comments to the word of my
- 6 predecessors, and in particular thank Mr. Kelly
- 7 and Commissioner Pfannenstiel for their tolerance
- 8 because I somewhat feel that I was one of these
- 9 eleventh hour and fifty-ninth minute people who
- 10 kept running in with another collective idea. As
- 11 a result, the clock ticked another second, and
- 12 another event occurred somewhere.
- 13 Also, two other things that have struck
- 14 me about this, it being, of course, being an
- 15 agreement that calls for progress and cooperation
- 16 between the two principle energy agencies with a
- 17 recognition of all the interfaces with the
- 18 activities of so many other agencies, but it is
- 19 primarily directed to these two.
- 20 The recognition of the transportation
- 21 fuels component in this document, as I always like
- 22 to say, my mythical third leg, third leg to the
- energy stool, which the IEPR has recognized and
- this agency has recognized, but hasn't been
- 25 recognized in this document and realizing in the

1 past year or so how important this document is to

- 2 utilities in this state, be they gas or electric.
- 3 The recognition of the fact that
- 4 transportation is part of the issue and needs to
- 5 be paid attention to and the gas and electric
- 6 sources are fuels if I might term, energy sources
- 7 for transportation. I am pleased that this is now
- 8 recognized as a major component of the effort that
- 9 we all have to carry out. Each agency has
- 10 responsibilities in that particular area, and I
- 11 think that is very good that we've done that.
- 12 Thom was quite tolerant and quite receptive of a
- 13 lot of the last minute drafting that took place.
- I am very very pleased to see this
- 15 document and my compliments to Thom and
- 16 Commissioner Pfannenstiel in particular for the
- 17 work that they put in.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you,
- 19 Commissioner. Commissioner Rosenfeld, did you
- want to add?
- 21 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I think this is
- 22 all wonderful. I do want to warn you folks, under
- demand response, there is a five percent goal.
- 24 That has been around for some time when we thought
- 25 that we were going to get AMI systems in the whole

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1 state faster than it is going.
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- 2 We had workshops scheduled with the PUC
- 3 to address that very issue. We are behind
- 4 schedule, but at the twelfth hour, I am not going
- 5 to propose changing the language right now.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you. The
- 7 only thing I will add is to simply thank all the
- 8 participants in this process. Mr. Kelly,
- 9 Commissioner Pfannenstiel and the other
- 10 Commissioners because at the end, I think we have
- 11 a document that is stronger and better for the
- 12 contributions of all, including those at the PUC
- 13 commissioners and staff.
- I want to make sure that we reiterate
- 15 here once again and publicly, the strong desire of
- 16 both the PUC and the Energy Commission to work
- 17 cooperatively in implementing these policies.
- With that, I will look for a motion.
- 19 COMMISSIONER GEESMAN: So moved.
- 20 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 21 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Second.
- 22 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 23 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 24 favor?
- 25 (Ayes.)

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1 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed? So
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- 2 moved. Thank you very much, Mr. Kelly.
- 3 Item No. 18 is being held to the next
- 4 business meeting. Item No. 19 is approval of the
- 5 minutes of the September 7 business meeting.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Move approval.
- 7 (Thereupon, the motion was made.)
- 8 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Second.
- 9 (Thereupon, the motion was seconded.)
- 10 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: All those in
- 11 favor?
- 12 (Ayes.)
- 13 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Opposed? So
- 14 moved.
- 15 Agenda item 20, Commission Committee and
- 16 Oversight.
- 17 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Mr.
- 18 Chairman.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner
- 20 Pfannenstiel.
- 21 COMMISSIONER PFANNENSTIEL: Three quick
- 22 items. The first is just to note that today being
- 23 September 21, that in nine days the new 2005
- 24 Building Standards, Title 24 Building Standards go
- into effect, and that is the culmination of a long

1 intense and very very successful process. I think

- 2 we all look forward to that.
- 3 The second item is just to note that
- 4 last week I chaired the first meeting of the
- 5 Energy Efficiency Committee of the Governor's
- 6 Green Action which is a group that we pulled
- 7 together from other state agencies and BOMA and
- 8 building industry and a number of other parties,
- 9 Wally McGuire from Flex Your Power to talk about
- 10 what we can do to implement, to move along, the
- 11 governor's objective under the Green Building
- 12 Initiative.
- 13 It is a group that doesn't have any
- 14 formal charter. It is one of the three committees
- 15 identified by the Green Action Plan, and, in fact,
- 16 both Secretary McPeak was actually designated as a
- 17 chair and given her time schedule, she pulled me
- 18 in as co-chair, and so the meeting last week was
- 19 sort of a kick off on identifying ways that we
- 20 from different perspectives can contribute to the
- 21 governor's objective.
- Then my third item is that an Energy
- 23 Commission report that was due to the legislature
- on October 1 implementing Assembly Bill 549 of a
- 25 number of years ago that is supposed to offer

1 options for increasing the energy efficiency in

- 2 existing buildings.
- For several reasons, we have decided to
- 4 hold that report to add some additional
- 5 information to it. One area, for example,
- 6 additional information we need to incorporate has
- 7 to do with the PUC program funding for the energy
- 8 efficiency programs on through the industrial
- 9 utilities.
- 10 The result of that program funding
- 11 allocation will feed into what we are able to do
- or what we are able to talk about in this report
- in terms of further options. In addition, the
- 14 Federal Tax Bill passed this summer has some
- implications for what we can do in California.
- 16 For those reasons as well as needing
- some further analysis, we decided to hold that
- 18 report. There have been a lot of stakeholders
- 19 participating in that process, so we need to get
- 20 the word out to them that the report will not be
- 21 sent to the legislature on October 1.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you.
- 23 COMMISSIONER BOYD: Mr. Chairman.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Commissioner Boyd.
- 25 COMMISSIONER BOYD: I might mention

1 looking at my associate, Commissioner Rosenfeld,

- 2 down the table who didn't leap to the microphone,
- 3 I would mention that last week the Energy
- 4 Commission this year with a co-host CAL EPA hosted
- 5 its second annual Climate Change Research
- 6 Conference for two and a half days. It also
- 7 became the first annual Scientific Conference of
- 8 the three Pacific Coast states, and the first time
- 9 that CAL EPA played a co-hosting role.
- 10 It was, in my opinion, a resounding
- 11 success, an incredibly well attended, incredibly
- 12 interesting for the times I could spend there in
- 13 terms of moving to science, and the gathering of
- 14 scientists. Although it was a scientific forum,
- 15 certainly there are many policy issues getting
- 16 discussed there.
- 17 Secretary Lloyd among others was
- 18 effusive in his praise of the work done by the
- 19 Energy Commission to put on this conference, and I
- 20 want to acknowledge Kelly Berkenshaw and
- 21 (Indiscernible) Franco in particular who did a
- 22 tremendous amount of work.
- 23 As you may have seen in the press, we
- 24 attracted Sir David King, the science advisor to
- 25 Tony Blair and the government of England who

1 announced that he was pleased to be second in the

- 2 world to someone. That someone being the State of
- 3 California for its aggressive activities in the
- 4 climate change area and the goals that it had set
- 5 and so on and so forth. I was very pleased to be
- 6 associated with and have a chance to participate
- 7 in that.
- 8 I think it is certainly reflected
- 9 extremely well on both the State of California,
- 10 the governor, and this agency. I think it was a
- 11 resounding success, and I think the staff deserves
- 12 a lot of credit for that. As always, Sir Arthur
- 13 Rosenfeld, as far as I am concerned, deserves a
- lot of credit for his efforts there too.
- 15 COMMISSIONER ROSENFELD: I thank
- 16 Commissioner Boyd for his nice words. I am quite
- 17 recovered from this three day blitz, yet sitting
- 18 through ten slides a minute packed into twenty
- 19 minute talks is more than I can really absorb.
- I think I will say I think the two
- 21 papers that struck me most as having current
- interests were both about hurricanes. They are
- both papers that had been published pre-Katrina,
- 24 but in the last two or three months.
- 25 They both show that as you increase the

1 water temperature, the intensity of hurricanes

- 2 goes up very fast. When the temperature is up 1
- 3 degree centigrade, I think you can expect a 200
- 4 year hurricane every forty years roughly as I
- 5 remember the numbers.
- 6 The frequency is not up yet, but the
- 7 intensity is predicted to be up, and that is only
- 8 one degree, and we are talking about going to four
- 9 degrees, so I thought that was all pretty
- 10 significant. It was a good conference. Thanks,
- 11 Jim.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Thank you. Item
- No. 21, Chief Counsel's report. I'll note that
- 14 Mr. Chamberlain is not here.
- MS. ICHIEN: Good morning, Arlene Ichien
- 16 sitting in for Bill Chamberlain. I just have one
- item to report, and it is with respect to the
- 18 appliance lawsuit that is against the Energy
- 19 Commission.
- 20 The Appliance Trade Association did file
- 21 a petition for CERT with the US Supreme Court on
- 22 September 12, and the Legal Office is currently
- 23 working on a response to that. Our response is
- due October 14.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Great. Thank you.

1 Item No. 22, Mr. Blevins, Executive Director's

- 2 Report.
- 3 MR. BLEVINS: Mr. Chairman, just for the
- 4 record, I want you to know that after the effusive
- 5 comments toward Mr. Kelly for his work on the EAP,
- 6 it took me about ten seconds to request a raise.
- 7 (Laughter.)
- 8 MR. BLEVINS: This is of course
- 9 something he will not be receiving. In all
- 10 seriousness, I do want to point that relative to
- 11 the discussion and the items that you've
- 12 considered today, as we all know, there is the
- 13 popular perception of state workers out there. I
- 14 can tell you that from the inside, that perception
- is very ill derived.
- 16 Clearly, people are doing a lot of hard
- 17 work, and they are not getting paid probably what
- they should be getting paid for it, and I just
- 19 wanted to acknowledge the fact that you folks
- 20 acknowledge that work because in some cases, it is
- 21 all they walk away with.
- I would encourage you to continue to do
- 23 that, and I am very pleased to be here working
- 24 with those kinds of people. Thank you very much.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Item No. 23,

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Legislative Director's Report. Nothing to report,
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              Item 24, Public Advisor's Report.
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              MR. BARTSCH: Mr. Chairman and members,
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     Nick Bartsch representing Margaret Kim, we don't
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     have anything new to report. Thanks.
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              CHAIRPERSON DESMOND: Item 25, Public
     Comment. We have already heard from Mr. Nittler
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     on agenda item 6. Is there anyone else either
     present or on the phone. No. Okay, there being
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     no further business. We will conclude this
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     meeting. Thank you very much.
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